Interstate Commerce Commissioner McChord Reports on Congested Conditions.

WASHINGTON COAL HALTED SITUATION MISUNDERSTOOD GERMAN PURPOSE IN EAST

Cars bound for Washington and other outhern points held up by congestion in yards; coal cars for Washington delayed by lack of engines to convey them, and a continued shortage of switching engines in yards, which holds up Washington-bound traffic at Philadelphia and other points, are feature of yesterday's statement on congestion of traffic issued by Commissioner McChord of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

In the east side yard of the B. & O road at Philadelphia, on January 8, the report states, 454 moved west, with 245 loads for the west still on hand, and these included eight cars of hard coal for Baltimore, twenty-eight for Washington and seven for Potomac Yard. The Potomac Yard bound cars are list-The Potomac Yard bound cars are listed separately because some of them go farther south. The report continues: "Seventy-one cars of coal for New York were held on account of Philadelphia and Reading not being able to handle; eleven locomotives held for repairs; fifty-five engine house and shop employes off duty during twenty-four-hour period ending 7 a.m., January 8."

Bad Situation in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia is now one of the worst ints of congestion in the east, it was explained, because the tracks between there and New York form the neck of a bottle toward which traffic from the west and south pours in too fast to be conveyed over the available trackage.

The report from the Philadelphia yards of the Danneslania the Pennsylvania railroad states: hiladelphia division, from 12:01 a. m. 11:59 p. m., January 7: Movement, o cars inbound and 1,093 outbound:

trains ready to move, with no power tilable. Still on hand, 1,683 cars. n the Pennsylvania's yards in Phila elphia an inspector reported, under date of January 10: "Officials advise that it impossible to move cars south, on the faryland division, on account of the ongested condition of Thurlow and Edge Moor yards."

Priority Orders Ignored.

The railroad's policy of eliminating fority orders was reaffirmed yester y, when officials refused the request steel and oil interests for special pref-ential movements. Until the conges-on is cleared, no shipments may have clear priority right, officials explain-

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Complaints of West Virginia coal ope-ators that they were receiving insuf-icient cars were referred to Assistant Director Smith, together with reports rom Interstate Commerce Commission nspectors that hundreds or empty coal ars were held up in freight congestion ear Philadelphia and at other eastern

urance that all railroad employes aild be considered in any future re-ustment of wages was given yester-by railroad officials to F. Finnison

While on his way home with a numbe packages of food he had purchase a market for his mother. Austin F. rdella, forty years old, 324 Delaware enue northeast, was knocked down a Capital Traction car on C street, t far from his home, last night abou o'clock, and his body so horribly maned that he died before he reached

sled that he died before he reached asualty Hospital.

Although the accident occurred almost within sight of his home, his mother and brother, with whom he lived, knew nothing of it until two lours later, when his body was identified. Iardella, it is stated, stepped from behind an eastbound car and was struck by a car going in the opposite direction. Motorman Thomas Hayes, 2406 H treet, was unable to stop the car on the down grade in time to save the han's life. Iardella was pushed along the tracks a short distance. He was almost lifeless when he was picked up and started on the way to the hospital. Hayes and Conductor Houghton B. Riley were arrested by Sergt. Edward Curry. They later were paroled by Coroner Nevitt to appear at an inquest that will be held at the morgue at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

FINLAND THREATENED BY RED GUARDS AND RUSS

olshevik Agents Try to Stir Up Revolutionary Agitation, Which They Find Too Lukewarm.

STOCKHOLM, January 12.-Finland is reatened by the red guards, aided by Russian soldiers, who are always teroriging the country, says a Haparande spatch to the Dagens Nyreter. Bolsheik agents, the dispatch adds, have arived in Finland in order to stir up the colutionary agitation, which they find o lukewarm. The red guards threaten dismiss the senate and dissolve the et, summon another diet and establish

"red" senate.
The Helsingfors Nuvudstadsbladet says that Russian soldiers have visited houses in Finnish towns, making arbitrary arrests and committing many acts of violence. Red guards forced their way into the home of the former governor general of Helsingfors and declared that no laws had any validity.

Cleveland Crimes Outwit Police. CLEVELAND, Ohio, January 12 .-

Program of Provisional Zionist Committee Explained by Ben-Zion Ben-Yehuda.



ITTAMAR BEN-AVL

A near eastern series of states, extending from the Black sea, and touching one another, reaching to the border of Egypt:

These states to form a quadruple alli ance, with Armenia to the north, Arabia to the south, Judea lying between as a binding unit, and Lebanon on the west-

Thus to establish a barrier of Jews. Christian Arabs and Moslem Arabs, which would check the penetration of German influence toward Bagdad and India.

This is the broad outline of the pro gram of the provisional Zionist committee, of which Rabbi Stephen S. Wise is chairman, and Justice Louis D. Brandeis honorary president, as outlined by Ben-Zion Ben-Yehuda, now in Washington n behalf of the Zionist movement.

He is better known perhaps by his pen name. Ittamar Ben-avi, adopted when he was Berlin correspondent for three years for French papers and when he was editor of a daily paper in Jerusalem, the place of his birth.

"Lloyd George made a historic distinction," he stated, "when for the first time he made a distinction between Syria and Falestine. He indicated a genuine line of cleavage, that between

genuine line of cleavage, that between Syria, which is Moslem, Lebanon, which is Christian Arabian, and Palestine, which is Jewish

Rejoice at Fall of Palestine.

"Arabs and Jews alike rejoiced when Great Britain took Palestine. Only about two-thirds of the Arabs in Palestine are fohammedan; the others are Christian.

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Zionism Misunderstood.

"Aside from all sentimental considerations and those of right and justice there is the strongest reason for a British protectorate in Palestine. - Zionism ices not mean, as is too often thought, does not mean, as is too often thought, that Jews everywhere should pick up and go to Palestine. It does mean that the Jews of this and other nations should give their loyal support to the efforts toward national integration of the Jews who already are there and the few who may wish to go there.

"America, not having territorial interests in the near east and destring to develop her commercial and industrial relations there, as already attested by the extension of the Standard Oil Company's operations, would find in such a quadruple alliance the opportunity for expansion, with Palestine as a base.

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"Manufactured articles which America produces so easily and freely could be sold there. Palestine, with Jewish rulers who recognize the part America must play in her rehabilitation and in sympathy with American ideals of democracy, naturally would be most receptive to American industrial pioneers, be they Jew or Christian.

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I have talked to men of affairs in this lountry and have spoken to many Christian audiences. I have found the most cordial sympathy and the greatest rejoicing among men of all religions to the withdrawal of Palestine from Moslem rule."

CONFIRMS REPORT THAT 25,000 GERMANS DESERT

ablegram to The Sunday Star and New York World. Copyright, 1918. LONDON, January 12.—The Daily 'hronicle's correspondent at Petrograd telegraphs confirmation of the story that 25,000 German deserters are intrenched at Kovno. At the same time he adds that reports less trust-worthy have been received of a sim-liar affair at Tarnopol, where Germans and Austrians are said to be fighting Austrian and Slav divisions.

FROZEN SHIPS RELEASED.

Four American Vessels Icebound in St. Lawrence Free.

SYDNEY, N. S., January 12.—Four American lake steamers that have been ebound in the Gulf of St. Lawrence for two weeks have been released. One of the fleet arrived here today and re-CLEVELAND. Ohio, January 12.—
That the police force is unable to cope with the present crime wave in this sity was admitted by Chief of Police Smith today, who recommends an ingrease of 700 patrolmen and fifty defectives immediately.

of the fleet arrived here today and reported three other vessels on their way to port. The steamers encountered enormous ice floes off Father Point, dealing with persons who bring liquor dealing with persons who bring liquor form the Ohio side, due to the fact that the "bone dry" violators are utilizing the frozen Ohio river as a means of force they were able to break the fee blockade.

SERIES OF STATES TO ENTER RELATIONS IN EAST OUTLINED WITH RUSS RADICALS

Great Britain's Stand Toward Bolsheviki Informal-Hopes to Gain Information.

LONDON, January 12.-The British government has decided to establish nformal relations with Maxim Litvinoff, who was appointed by the bolshe vik government as Russian ambassador to London, according to the Daily Mail. This step, adds the newspaper, has been taken with a view to obtaining useful information in regard to conditions in Russia.

Russia.

The position is, the Mail says, that so long as Lenine and Trotzky remain the de facto power in great Russia it would be unwise to adopt an attitude designed to shut off Great Britain from receiving communications of possible value and from supplying information, if, for example, Lenine and Trotzky should eventually be inclined to give heed to the counsel tendered them by the allied governments through the recent speeches of Mr. Lloyd George and President Wilson.

Armistice Is Extended.

Leon Trotzky, the bolshevik foreign minister, proposed at the peace negotiations that the present armistice between Russia and Germany be prolonged for another month, according to an Exchange Felegraph dispatch from Petrograd The central powers accepted the proposal.

German Purpose in Parleys. Cablegram to The Sunday Star and New York World.

York World.

PETROGRAD, January 11, via London, January 12.—The latest news from Brest-Litovsk makes it clear that the governments of the central empires, being assured that Russia will not be supported by the entente at a general peace conference, are deliberately taking a more uncompromising position, with a view of strengthening the military annexationist parties by showing the obvious trophies of the annexationist policy. They, like everybody except Russia's allies, know Russia cannot continue the war in the ordinary sense except under desperate conditions. They know further that acceptance of Russia's peace terms would not be rewarded by a general peace. They, therefore, in single combat with Trotsky are doing their best to keep the frontiers of the revolution as far as possible from the frontiers of Germany.

Whatever may be the final terms of peace, Germany will be the dominant trader in Poland and Courland and other adjacent provinces. From that point of view she could accept any terms. But even after peace is signed Russia will not be a peaceful neighbor and the Germans would prefer that the Baltic barons put down revolution in Courland than to have revolution spreading over their own horders into eastern Prussia. They know that as German troops leave the occupied ter-ritory the Russian revolution will come

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It must be remembered that the Russian revolution today is very much obnoxious to the administrative revolution of last March. That is true for Russia as well as for Germany and explains much of the bitter opposition to the bolsheviki at home. This opposition makes Trotzky's position doubly almonity.

THROWN OPEN TO CLERKS

More Accommodations for Government Workers Needed-Local . Y. W. C. A. Makes Denial.

During the month ending yesterday 1,560 rooms in the private homes of Washington have been thrown open to government clerks coming here to do war work for the government.

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These figures were made public last night by William H. Baldwin, chairman of the District Council of Defense, which is operating a room-renting bureau to find quarters for the new government clerks as they arrive.

According to Mr. Baldwin these rooms were in 1.169 homes, In a majority of cases, he said, the occupants agreed to take young women, who form the bulk of the great army of clerks the government is bringing here.

More Rooms Are Needed.

"While these figures are very grati-fying," said Mr. Baldwin, "we need still more rooms, and renew our appeal to those householders who have not yet done so to list a room with the bu-

Mr. Baldwin pointed out that there Mr. Baldwin pointed out that there are hundreds or more of clerks ready to come to Washington immediately and that living accommodations must be found for them, since the clerical army of the government in Washington is as essential to the winning of the war as the military forces in the field.

NEW YORK, January 12.—Dissolution of the kaiser tion of "the partnership of the kaiser and God—a partnership which God does not seem to know much about"—ficial quarters of fifty-eight more official executions in Belgium. This States will accomplish in the war, Senator William S. Kenyon of Iowa

The room bureau is still temporarily located in the Chamber of Commerce. 611 12th street, but Mr. Baldwin said last night it probably would be moved to its own office at 1321 New York avenue early this week.

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Officers of the local Y. W. C. A. yesterday denied that they are endeavoring to discourage young girls in nearby states from coming to Washington in search of positions because of the scarcity of living accommodations here. Such a warning was sent out several days ago by he women's war work council of the Y. W. C. A. from New York, but had no connection with the local Y. W. C. A. Commissioner Brownlow has not yet decided on a successor for Dr. R. S. Woodward as chairman of the housing committee of the District Council of Defense to assist Leroy Thomas, who is directly in charge of the room-renting bureau.

War front, said: "God is not a German god. Great Britain and the United States cannot be bluffed. We are not frightened by "the mailed fist." I am glad that we can come to the assist-ance of Belgium and France."

After telling of what he character-ized as. "horrors left in the wake of the Hun" in France and Belgium, Senator Kenyon said, "We had better die fighting shoulder to shoulder than permit these things to occur here."

EXPLOSION ENTOMBS MINERS.

Of 247 Men in Pit Only One Hundred Are Reported Rescued.

TOTS HELP SOLDIERS AND SOLDIERS HELP THEMSELVES WHEN THEY KAHN HELD IN DRIFT; PRESIDENT A GUEST BUY WAR SAVINGS STAMPS.





Miss Dalsy Prentice explaining to the children of the Adams School kindergarten the advantages in buying

ower—Mailmen in post office automobile doing a good business in war savings stamps with a few of Uncle San

OUT OF AMERICAN SERVICE SALARIES IN SCHOOLS

received here last night to have pro-

received here last night to have progressed to within twenty-two miles of Vera Cruz after defeating a force under Gen. Heriberto Jara. Diaz was said to have seized the railroads connecting that port with Mexico City and was credited also with a plan to attack the port city.

Reports of the activity of Diaz created unusual interest here because recent unusual interest here because recent in support, especially in the north.

FRANCE TO MILITARIZE

PARIS, January 12 .- The minister of war has made known his intention to place all the postal and telegraph servtarizing the entire service.

SAYS U. S. WILL DISRUPT FIRM. Senator Kenyon Speaks Derisively of

Kaiser's Partnership With God. NEW YORK, January 12.-Dissolu-Senator William S. Kenyon of Iowa Republican Club of New York city at

turned from a tour of the western war front, said: "God is not a Ger-

dred Are Reported Rescued.

HALMEREND, North Staffordshire, England, January 12.-An explosion occurred in a mine pit here today and

Felix Diaz with an army of some 2,000 cisls, however, did not believe that men was reported in official dispatches even if Diaz took Vera Cruz he could hold it. Diaz organized a revolutionary move-

POST AND WIRE SERVICES 58 BELGIANS EXECUTED; DENIED DEFENSE RIGHTS

Recent Outrages, Based on Charges of Spying, Bring Total of 170 Since January, 1917.

By the Associated Press. LONDON, January 12.-Word has cuted since January, 1917, to 170, among whom were at least two women, three girls from fourteen to six teen years old, and several youths un

der twenty.

All the executed Belgians were assumed by the Germans to be guilty of spying, and in many cases arrest, condemnation and execution took place within three or four days, and, therefore, no serious inquiry could have been made. been made.

Under the rule of the late Gov. Gen. von Bissing 100 executions took place in one year, according to the German official reports. Gov. Gen. von Falkenhausen has increased this record three-fold, and he ceased publishing the names of the victims in order that they could not be identified as martyrs by their compatriots. As a further precaution, the executed persons have been buried inside the prison walls.

Soft Coal Fire Causes Alarm. The fire department received a call

last night for a supposed fire in one of the buildings of the War Department near 7th and B streets southoccurred in a mine pit here today and it is feared heavy loss of life resulted. Of 247 men in the mine at the time of the explosion 100 men had been rescued tonight.

West. It is said a watchman in the building started a fire in a stove, using soft coal, and the flames coming from a chimney attracted the attention of persons, who sent in an alarm.

IS THEME OF CITIZENS

Mount Pleasant Association Urges Increased Pay for Teach-

war.

It also was asserted that the cost of living in Washington has increased at least twice over what it was three years ago. In view of this and the fact that the government is offering large salaries to clerks, the resolutions set forth that the grade teachers, janitors and assistant janitors ought to have their salaries increased. ave their salaries increased. The committee on schools, of which Mr. Linkins is chairman, was instructed to present the matter to the Dis trict Commissioners and Board of Edu cation.

Street Car Service Criticised.

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The street car service on the Mount Pleasant line of the Washington Railway and Electric Company was discussed at length and several members declared it is getting worse every day. A communication was read from an officer of the company relative to the schedule of the cars, in which it was stated the cars arrive at the terminus faster than they can be gotten out for the down town trip. The secretary was instructed to send all of the correspondence to President King of the railway company, calling his attention to the statement of this officer of the company, and urging that something be done to get the cars away from the terminus.

A resolution was adonted favoring the

terminus.

A resolution was adopted favoring the use of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal to bring coal to Washington. The efforts of Representative Moore of Pennsylvania to have the number of boats on the canal ncraesed was commended.
In resolutions adopted, Louis Brownlow
was congratulated on his reappointment as District Commissioner.

TO DISCUSS D. C. SUFFRAGE.

Federation Will Also Consider Forming Red Cross Auxiliary.

Suffrage for the people of the District will be discussed at a special meeting of the Suffrage Federation, composed o various women's organizations, at 1626 Rhode Island avenue, at 7:30 o'clock to-morrow evening.

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The executive board of the federationhas gone on record in favor of some
form of self-government for the people
of the National Capital, and will
recommend that the federation indorse
its action.

The federation also will consider the
organization of a Red Cross auxiliary.
The National American Woman's Suffrage Association has offered the use
of its assembly room at the Rhode Island avenue address for the Red Cross
work, should the federation decide to
undertake it. Mrs. Louis Brownlow
wife of the District Commissioner, is
chairman of the federation.

Food Disturbances in Spain.

BARCELONA, Spain, January 12.—
The publication of a decree fixing the prices of foodstuffs has resulted in serious disturbances. Many of the shops have been shut and bands of women paraded the streets. Mobs attacked the shops, looting them. Similar scenes are reported from Valencia.

Banker on Stalled Train, But by Proxy Denies Financiers Are Gainers by War.

FAVORS FINANCIAL BOARD

CHICAGO. January 12.-American financiers had nothing to gain and everything to lose by war, according to a statement by Otto H. Kahn, a New York banker, which was read tonight at a banquet of the Chicago Bankers

bankers, but his train was stalled by

the storm. Several of the nation's leading final ciers epent tonight in a snow drift "somewhere east of Chicago" aboard the twentieth century limited, which departed from New York Friday after-

noon.

The party is headed by Mr. Kahn. Other members are Francis L. Hine, president of the First National Bank, New York; James S. Alexander, president of the Bank of Commerce; Eugene V. R. Thayer, newly elected president of the Chase National Bank, and Rollin P. Grant, president of the Irving National Bank.

"Promoters of disunion," said Mr. Kahn's statement as read at the bankers' club, "pretend to believe that this war was started by big business men for selfish reasons and for the purpose of gain. This assertion is in flat contradiction to the facts.

Bound to be Losers.

"Business and business men have everything to gain by keeping the United States at peace. In the two years previous to our entry into the war enormous profits on munitions and supplies were made by American business men. It was plain to every one that if America entered the war the government would practically control the munitions and supply factories—as it has done—and that these profits would cease. Business men are bound to be heavy losers through America's entry into the war."

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Mr. Kahn's statement found fault with the war tax law, declaring that too many committees attended to its enforcement. He urged a board of economic strategy composed of six business men to deal with financial and economic problems, including war tax.

In regard to income tax Mr. Kahn's statement pointed out that small incomes are taxed less in this country than in other belligerent countries and big incomes more.

GUIDE FOR DEPORTMENT

Col. Dapray Issues Order Which Will Be Supplied to D. C.

Guardsmen.

Declaring "that it is improper and ontrary to Army regulations and the rules and articles of war for any officer in the military establishment, including he District of Columbia National Guard, to use any efforts to procure personal favor or consideration or to influence legislation," a general order influence legislation," a general order issued from the office of Col. J. A. Dapray, adjutant general of the District of Columbia and commanding officer of the new District National Guard, directs attention to the fact that any mark of censure or approbation among military men toward others in the military service is prohibited. The order, which will be furnished to every officer and sulisted man in the District of Columbia militia, is intended as a guide for the deportment of military men in the professional and civic relations.

Further Restrictions.

Men wearing the uniform of a branch of the military service of the United States without having enlisted in some branch of the service are made the subjects of a paragraph in the order which states, "Recent federal legislation has carefully defined the persons who are authorized to wear the military uniform." One point emphasized by Col. Dapray is the fact that according to the regulations governing the wearing of military uniforms members of the National Guard not in the federal service are not entitled to wear

LEFT TO SUPREME COURT

On advice of the Department of Jus tice, the bureau of internal revenue has decided to let the Supreme Court decide whether, in figuring income and excess profits for the past year, inventories may be made on the basis of either original cost or present market value, whichever is lower.

Income and excess profits tax return forms were accordingly changed and will be issued this week with provision for reporting on both bases. Tax eventually will be collected under the optional system if the Supreme Court sustains it, or on cost if the court decides against the option plan. Returns must be filed by March I, but the court will not hear argument until March 4 on a case involving the disputed point. This case, known as Mitchell vs. Doyle, was brought originally in the district court in Michigan.

The Treasury this week will issue a formal order embodying the new decision, which is regarded as one of the nost important under the war tax law. The optional plan of reporting securities or merchandise was intended mainly to eliminate the necessity of actually the liminate the necessity of actually the series of Mrs. Richard Crane enter-

The optional plan of reporting securities or merchandise was intended mainby to eliminate the necessity of actually
selling holdings of depreciated value in
order to record losses. Millions of dolars in taxes are involved.

KEEPS ON DESPITE THE ICE.

Army Engineer Service Dredge Continues Eastern Branch Improvement
Despite the heavy ice on Eastern
branch, the U.S. Army engineer service
dredge Atlas has been able to keep up
the work on the improvement of the
waterway without interruption, and
will continue throughout the winter.
She is employed in digging a trench for
riprap work for the concrete and stone
seawall to be erected in the spring
near the Benning bridge.

The snagboat fork is laid up at the
engineer service reservation on the
Washington channel, opposite the foot
of 14th street. Before time comes for
her to resume work in the early spring
her machinery, boilers and hoisting
utifit will receive a general overhauling.

HIS ADDRESS READ AT BRILLIANT BALL HELD FOR CHARITY

With Mrs. Wilson, Participates in Event Which Proves One of Season's Best.

MANY NATIONAL LEADERS AMONG THOSE PRESENT

Attractive Scenes Presented at the New Willard; Children's Hospital to Benefit.

The presence of the President and Mrs. Wilson was the crowning touch in the success of one of the greatest of charity balls, given last night at the

New Willard Hotel. The appeal of the Children's Hospital s far reaching and representatives of all circles answered the call. Professional men, men of prominence in commercial affairs, with eminent jurists and statesmen, and hundreds of men in uniform helped to swell the numbers and incidentally added thousands of dollars to the hospital fund.

Many Newcomers Present. Some diplomats and many debutanted

were present, for no bud with a glimnering of the ways of the Washington world ever permits another engagement to conflict with the great charity ball of the winter. Many from the large contingent of newcomers were present. Over thirty boxes, with their crimson hangings, filled with the leaders of the ashionable world of the capital, lined the walls of the long ballroom, dancers thronging the floors of both ballrooms. Two sections of the Marine Band playing in the balcony, overlooking the entrance to the large ballroom, furnish-A buffet supper was served in the red room.

Starts at Early Hour.

Being a Saturday night ball, the hours were early. Dancing commenced at 9 o'clock and the many dinner parties of the evening began to arrive shortly after 10.

Standards of towering palms framed the entrance to the ballroom suite. The guests were received by Mrs. Mahlon Pitney, chairman of the ball committee; Mrs. James W. Wadsworth, jr.; Mrs. John Crayke Simpson, Mrs. Horace Westcott, Ms. Stephen B. Elkins, Mrs. R. S. Reynolds Hitt and Mrs. Clarence Wilson.

Mrs. Pitney received in a stunning own of green and silver brocade rimmed with rhinestones and carried bouquet of orchids and American

beauties.

Mrs. John Crayke Simpson wore a handsome gown of black velvet with jet on the corsage.

Mrs. Westcott wore a gown of yellow

Mrs. Wadsworth wore a handsome gown of ivory brocade and pearl orna-ments. ments.

Mrs. Elkins wore amethyst-colored brocade and diamond ornaments. Mrs. Hitt wore a beautiful gown of pale blue and silver brocade with rhinestone shoulder straps, a necklace of pearls and strand of rubles and pearls. Mrs. Wilson wore an effective gown of deep blue charmeuse with top of tulle the same shade.

Presentations were made by Mr. George Howard, chairman, and Lieut. Edward A. Mitchell, vice chairman of the floor committee, assisted by Mr. Justice Pitney.

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It calls attention to the fact that "personal acquaintances or friendships between persons in the military establishment and those prominent in official life are personal privileges which should never be used among military men or in military circles in a spirit of public or private borstfulness, egotism or self-agarandizement."

William H. Linkins and Arthur D. Call, it was set forth that President Wilson has urged that the schools maintain their standards and that the children remain in the schools for service of the nation in these days of war.

It also was asserted that the cost of

In the Boxes.

The Brazilian Ambassador and Mme. da Gama had a party in their box which included Mr. and Mrs. Elbert H. Gary, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Brokaw, and Mrs. Herman Frasch, all of New York,

Gary, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Brokaw, and Mrs. Herman Frasch, all of New York, and Mr. Arthur Williams.

Senator and Mrs. James W. Wadsworth, ir., had a box party, their guests including Mrs. Mandeville Carlisle, Mrs. Fletcher Harper, Mr. Frederick Sterling and Lieut. Hirkle.

Mr. and Mrs. Aksel Chr. P. Wichfeld had among their guests the honorary attache of the Spanish embassy and Mms. de Heeren, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emory, Mrs. Cochran of New York, Miss Perin and Lieut. Cutting.

Mme. Christian Hauge had a party in her box, which included Justice and Mrs. Mahlon Pitney, Sir Charles and Lady Ross, Mrs. Richard Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wallace and Miss Todd. Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Upson had among their guests in their box Capt. and Mrs. Carlisle, Miss Ruth Dodge, Lieut. Weaver and Lieut. Dodge.

Senator Phelan entertained in his box Senator and Mrs. Lee Overman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward N. Hurley, Senator and Mrs. Edward N. Hurley, Senator and Mrs. Hugh Wallse Davis, Miss Katherine Overman, Miss Grace Overman, Senator McKellar, Mr. Lewis Stevenson and Miss Elizabeth Stevenson.

Mrs. Marshall Field's party in her box included Senator and Mrs. Charles A. Munn and Countess Gizycka.

Mrs. Stephen B. Elkins entertained a box party, having among her guests